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Banking Committee eight-zip. It had no dissenting testimony, and it is supported by the Nebraska Credit Union League. And I would also ask you to support it to Select File. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Debate on 278? Senator Hudkins, you're recognized to close on the advancement of LB 278. Closing is waived. The question before the body is the advancement of LB 278 to E & R Initial. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted who care to? Record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of 278.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: LB 278 advances. LB 141.

CLERK: (LB) 141, introduced by the Revenue Committee. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 7, referred to the Revenue Committee, advanced to General File. There are committee amendments pending, Mr. President.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Wickersham, you're recognized to open on LB 141.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body. LB 141 is a cleanup bill in many respects, but there are several substantive provisions in the bill, and I'll hope...I'll discuss those so you're alerted to them. But it does cover a fair number of subjects, all the way from the fund that we created last year to aid fire protection districts, whether they're rural or suburban, to taxation of motor vehicles, to levy limitations. I hope you get the idea. It does range across a variety of topics. Now some of the provisions in the bill I would suggest to you are conforming and technical in nature, largely those are related to a few sections that we found where we didn't have the appropriate cross-references in levies either by counties or municipalities to the levy limitations that were embodied in LB 1114, passed a couple of years ago. One of those conforming changes that...and I'll characterize this as a conforming change, because I believe it was a conforming change, I understand that others might disagree. But one of those changes relates to educational service units and the half cent tax that was available for